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Secret of the Pyramids.

A Brooklyn engineer of note, who spent several years in Egyptian exploration, is of opinion that the mys tery of the pyramids has been solved. The most extraordinary pictures showing 200,000 men hauling on a rope to raise a 200,000 pound stone into its proper niche near the pinnacle of old Cheops is familiar to all of us. Theories as to the mode of construction are legion. But all the engineering logic and experience of to-day and for the last 100 years has falled to cast more than a shadow over the mystery. Piazzi Smith thought he knew all about it, but nothing of a practical nature has come of his researches. It is singuiar that our wise men did not think of examining with critical eye the tools found in the catacombs. The old saw-a workman is known by his chips-is no better than a workman is known by his tools. Our Brooklynite says that the tools are not those of rock masons, nor mere plasterers implements for filling the cracks between stones, but are plain ly the crude Egyptian plant of operatives engaged in mixing and laying their cement. Cement is the comtheir cement. Cement is the com ing building material, says the New York Press. Railroads are renewing their steel, iron and stone piers, abutments, culverts, etc., with it, and it is expected to last forever. great skill is required in manipulating it. There is no chiseling, hammering, doweling, no heavy lifting with derricks, no misfits. The industry already has grown to enormous proportions. Drop a sack of dry cement to the bottom of a river and in a few minutes you have a solid stone that never will wear away. Drop 1,000 sacks on top of it and round it and presently you will have a foundation that will sustain for all time a miltion ton bridge.

What is Realism?

Probably the simplest definition explains realism as the attempt to see and depict the world as it is. Unfortunately, this is meaningless. Every man sees his own world, and if he depicts it as it is there is little likelihood of its being the same as the world of anybody else. We shall be on safer ground if we say that realism is the attempt to depict the world as the ordinary man sees it, the average, commonplace man. Although not a novelist, says Gamaliel Bradford, Jr., in The Reader, the typical realist of literature is Pepys. The Homer of the commonplace, he expresses the emotions and experiences of the average man with a naturalness, a fidelity possible only to one who is an average man himself-and nothing else. But the artist is, by definition, not the average commonplace man, and when he tries to be a thoroughgoing realist, his artist's genius is perpetually getting between his legs and tripping him up.

Miss Elizabeth Bolt started a factory at Wakefield, Mass., on a small scale a few years ago and now employs more than 400 men and women, who turn out about 600 dozen pairs of stockings daily. Miss Bolt understands her work thoroughly, having been a mill girl herself.

The New York newspaper man who is to marry a rich girl may be a poor reporter without being a poor reporter ..

Most Important Happenings of the Past Seven Days.

Interesting Items Gathered from All parts of the World Condensed Into Small Space for the Benefit of Our Readers.

Personal.

Sam Jones, the evangelist, died on board a train near Little Rock, Ark., while going from Oklahoma City, Ok., to Memphis, Tenn. It was not known that he was ill until his body was found in a berth in the sleeping car.

District Attorney John B. Moran has formally accepted the nomination for governor tendered him by the Massa-

chusetts democrats.

It is reported that Gen. Funston is to be given command of the Southwest division with headquarters at Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Clinton B. Fiske, of New York, has been re-elected president of the Woman's Home Missionary society of the M. E. church.

Mrs. Jefferson Davis, widow of the president of the Confederacy, died at New York recently of pneumonia at the age of 80 years. She had been ill only a week.

R. P. Murdock, for 25 years business manager of the Wichita, Kan., Dafly Eagle died recently in Chicago where he had gone for treatment.

Secretary Taft's party have arrived in Washington from Havana, Cuba.

The funeral services of the late Sam P. Jones, the evangelist, were held in the tabernacle bearing his name at Cartersville, Ga., before a large congregation. Bishop Galloway, of Mississippi, presided.

Charles A. Barnes, of Jacksonville, Ill., has been elected supreme chancellor of the Knights of Pythias at the session of the supreme lodge at

new Orleans. William Scully, popularly known as "Lord" Scully, who owned thousands of acres of land in Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska, died recently in London, Eng.

Miscellaneous.

It has been decided to appoint a governor for the canal zone as well as a minister to Panama to succeed Gov. Magoon, who held both positions.

During the term between September 1, 1904 and September 1, 1906, there were 156 banks organized in Kansas with a combined capital of \$2,-

The final step in the demobilization of Russia's great Manchurian army was taken recently when an order was published disbanding the staff of the army of the Far East.

Fire at Birmingham, Ala., destroyed two six story buildings and caused a loss of more than \$300,000.

The inquiry by the Interstate Commerce commission into the alleged grain trust has been adjourned at Chicago to be continued at Kansas City, Omaha and other western cities.

Justice Brewer of the federal supreme court has granted a stay of execution to Mrs. Aggie Myers, condemned to hang in Missouri on October 26 until he can examine the full record in the case.

A tropical hurricane which swept over Cuba, doing considerable damage at Havana reached the eastern coast of Florida and caused destruction at Miami and vicinity.

The president is considering the advisability of appointing a fiscal agent to take charge of the revenues of the Cuban government in order that the United States may be reimbursed for the expense of intervention in the recent insurrection in the island.

An explosion of natural gas wrecked the home of E. C. Vaught, in St. Joseph, recently, injuring Mr. Vaught's daughter and two workmen.

The director of the mint has pur-Muskogee Cimeter. NEWS OF THE WEEK the director of the mint has been at the chased 150,000 ounces of silver at 70.13 cents per fine ounce. 70.13 cents per fine ounce.

The supreme court of the United States has denied the petition of Former United States Senator Burton, of Kansas, for a rehearing in the case in which he is under sentence of imprisonment and fine and it is expected he will begin serving the six months sentence at once.

The Spanish ministry has announced that the war budget has been increased by \$2,160,000.

The general manager of the Iowa Central railway has announced an increase in the pay of the telegraph operators of the system beginning November 1.

A negro has been sentenced to life imprisonment in lowa for assault .

The Southern Steel company has purchased the properties of the Georgia Coal & Iron company, the consideration being in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000.

The Chicago club of the American baseball league defeated the pennant winners of the National league in the sixth championship game by a score of 8 to 3 and in doing so won the championship of the world.

An examination of the Cuban treasury shows more than \$12,000,000 on hand, mostly in American gold. The books balanced.

Fire destroyed six stores and shops in the town of Sentinel, Ok., recent-

Suit has been commenced in the district court of Shawnee county, Kansas, under the anti-trust laws of the state against the International Harvester company of America on 50 counts alleging combination for the purpose of preventing competition in the sale of agricultural machinery.

It is reported in territory oil circles that the Texas Oil company and the Standard Oil company have combined to construct a pipe line from the Midcontinent field to the gulf.

At a meeting of the board of regents of the university of Kansas a proposition presented by Chancellor Strong to ask Andrew Carnegie for money, with which to build a new fine arts building, was voted down.

The reports of a fresh outbreak of the volcano of Mount Pelee on the island of Martinique is denied on the authority of the French cable company.

The statement of receipts and expenditures of the postoffice department for the year ending June 30, 1906, show a reduction in the annual deficit from \$14,572,584 in 1905 to \$10,516,996 in 1906.

A disagreement among the stockholders of Watson's Magazine has led to the resignation of Thomas E. Watson, who founded the magazine about 18 months ago, and has been its editor-in-chief.

Charles Michaels, a band master, droped dead in Newport, Ky., while playing a dirge for his friend whose sudden death occurred while the marriage ceremony of his son was being performed.

The Ohio supreme court has decided that the Drake investigating committee created by the legislature last winter to investigate affairs in Cincinnati and Hamilton county was illegal.

The American Bankers' association held its 32d annual session in St. Louis recently. . Delegates from every state and territory and the dependencies of the United States to the number of 4,000 were present.

The Railway Signal association comprising more than 800 members from practically all countries of the world held their tenth annual convention in Washington recently.

In the terminal case at St. Louis Judge Adams in the federal court of appeals, decided that Special Commissioner Rombauer had no power to commit a witness to jail.

All the blooded stock on the Thomas W. Lawson farm at Dreamwold is to be sold at auction in New York in November. The only reservation will be Boralma, the famous trotter.

Removal of Restrictions.

The restrictions have been removed from the following citizens of the Fve Tribes:

Cherokees Nancy Taylor, Woodley. Green Ketcher, Flint. Martha Sinter, Pryor Creek. Almon A. Guinn, Tahlequah, Robert Sanders, Vian. Charles M. Rose, Tahlequah. James K. Landrum, Echo. Cora Hightower, Maple. Ruth Nettles, Ft. Smith, Ark. Lizzie Lacey, Warner. Cynthia Peters, Briartown. Charles J. Severs, Muskogee. Henry C. Holderman, Spavinew. Helena Scott, Vinita. John E. Mabry, Fort Sill. Col. J. Harris, Jr., Greenbriar. Nannie E. Lansford, Warner. George H. Johnson, Afton. George Taylor, Nowata. Minnie E. Temmons, Campbell. Charles D. Kennedy, Vinita. Mary E. Wilson, Muskogee. Ivan Long, Afton, James W. Barnett, Siloam Springs, Lettic Williams, Vinita, Robert Dozely, Wainwright. Mary A. Martin, Siloam Springs. John Brassfield, Eufaula. Rachel Candy, Braggs. Lutitia Smith, Keefeton. John W. Ferguson, Whitmore. James Lovett, Braggs, Chickasaws, Edmon P. Love, Newburg.

C. O. Finnegan, Summitt, Choctaw. Lillie Vick, South McAlester. Kizzie Martin, Stigler, Juanita Spradlin, Durant. Samuel Monkus, Soper. Melinda Mays, Milburn. William Burns, Drake. Effle Cunningham, Wayne. James E. Moran, Comanche.

Creek.

Binger Bank Stock Transferred. Binger, O. T.—A deal was consummated yesterday whereby W. H. Marvel, Jr., L. B. McConn, of Omaha, and W. Utterback, of Binger, have purchased the interest of O. B. Kee and others of Weatherford in the Bank of Binger in Caddo county.

RACING FOR TERRITORY.

Missourians to Establish Tracks at

Muskogee,
Muskogee, I. T.—Colonel R. C.
Pate and his legal representative,
Thomas Morris, of St. Louis, closed a contract here today for an eightyacre tract of land, one mile southwest of this city, and have announced that they will build a one-mile racing course with stables, etc., to cost \$50,000. It is believed the company behind them is the one which a few years ago operated large tracks at St. Louis, Hot Springs and Kansas

The news that Colonel Pate had bought land in the territory for racing grounds was received in Kansas City last night without surprise by those interested in track racing. Since the blows to race tracks in Kansas City, St. Louis and Hot Springs it has been rumored that other places would be chosen for sporting centers. Hot Springs, Ark., is in the hands of reformers who have practically put a stop to horse racing, and this with the opposition in Missouri has perhaps led to the move for establishing tracks and sta-bles near Muskogee.

THIEVES BURN A STORE.

Set Fire to Building After Looting It

Shawnee, O. T .- The store of Harvey and McCune was robbed of a large amount of goods' early today and then set on fire. The stock was totally destroyed and the building sustained a loss of \$1,000. The stock was insured for \$1,000; building uninsured.

James Hardin and John Lynch. farmers, weer asleep in a rooming house over the store and were taken, out of the window by the firemen. There is no clue to the thieves.

The test drilling on the Richard-son land, 14-15-11, near Beggs, ten miles southwest of Glenn develop-ment, is reported in the Glenn sand with a fishing job on hand. This with a fishing job on hand. This test is six miles west of the Glenn pool.